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REMARKS

As required in the Office Action, applicant elects claim 11 as the generic claim in the application. The claim covers species I. Claims 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 are readable on elected claim 11.

The examiner is however requested to reconsider his requirement to limit the claims to one species. Applicant's invention relates to a caster with no king-pin. The caster instead has top and bottom members with a stub shaft on one member entering a bore on the other member. A ring of bearing balls connects the two members together, allowing the caster to swivel, and a stock bearing mounted between the two members takes the load. Figs. 1, 3, 4 and 5 show variations of how these elements are combined. The claims now in the application cover all these variations. It is respectfully submitted that only one search is required for all the variations and that this search would be in the same area for all the variations. If the variations in the four figures were filed in separate applications, all the applications would end up in the same class and sub-class.

It is believed that the claims now in the application all relate to the same invention and should therefore be examined together in this application. The examiner is requested to withdrawn his requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 to limit the claims to one species.

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